# COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

| (1) DEPARTMENT<br>Social Services  | (2) MEETING DATE<br>7/12/2016               | Michael C                             | 3) CONTACT/PHONE<br>lichael Coughlin - 781-1908<br>ammy Aguilera - 781-1838         |                      |  |  |  |
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| (4) SUBJECT Request to appoint Suzanne Parker to the San Luis Obispo County Workforce Development Board. All Districts.  |   |                                       |   |                      |  |  |  |
| (5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve the appointment of Suzanne Parker to a business seat (vacated by Phillip Koziel on February 4, 2016) on the San Luis Obispo County Workforce Development Board (WDB). The business seat term will expire on June 30, 2020. |   |                                       |   |                      |  |  |  |
| (6) FUNDING<br>SOURCE(S)<br>N/A  | (7) CURRENT YEAR<br>FINANCIAL IMPACT<br>N/A | (8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL<br>IMPACT<br>N/A |   | (9) BUDGETED?<br>N/A |  |  |  |
| (10) AGENDA PLACEMENT  {X} Consent { } Presentation { } Hearing (Time Est) { } Board Business (Time Est)   |   |                                       |   |                      |  |  |  |
| (11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { } Contracts { } Ordinances {X} N/A   |   |                                       |   |                      |  |  |  |
| (12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A  |   |                                       | (13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED?  BAR ID Number: N/A  { } 4/5 Vote Required {X} N/A |                      |  |  |  |
| , ,  | 15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT?              |                                       | (16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY  {X} N/A Date:   |                      |  |  |  |
| (17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Morgan Torell  |   |                                       |   |                      |  |  |  |
| (18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts  |   |                                       |   |                      |  |  |  |

# County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Social Services / Michael Coughlin - 781-1908

Tammy Aguilera - 781-1838

DATE: 7/12/2016

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#### **DISCUSSION**

On July 22, 2014, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the first legislative reform of the public workforce system in 15 years, was signed into law. WIOA supersedes the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 and amends the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act of 1998, the Wagner-Peyser Act of 1933, and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and is designed to strengthen and improve the public workforce system and put job seekers back to work by helping workers acquire the skills employers need and help employers access the talent pool needed to compete in a global economy.

The transition from the former legislation (WIA) to the current WIOA began during the 2014-15 program year (as an initial planning period) and continued through the 2015-16 program year (as the official transition year). On May 19, 2015, Board item #34, your Board approved the composition of a local workforce development board as one of the initial implementation steps of the WIOA program. On September 22, 2015, Board item #18, your Board adopted a resolution formally designating the Workforce Investment Board (under WIA) and its members as the Workforce Development Board (WDB) in accordance with WIOA Public Law 113-128 Section 107, changing the Workforce Development Board' title in addition to its composition.

The WIOA mandates that the Chief Local Elected Official (CLEO) designate a local Workforce Development Board (WDB) to set policy direction and to oversee WIOA funded operations. The composition of the WDB is dictated by section 107 of the WIOA which specifies business (must comprise the majority of members), local education, local labor, economic development, and other mandated partner membership categories. The WDB currently has 5 vacancies which are detailed below:

| WDB Member Representation          | Current #'s | Required #'s | Vacancies |
|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| Business Members                   |             |              |           |
| (minimum 51% majority)             | 10          | 13           | 3*        |
| Economic Development               | 1           | 2            | 1         |
| Local Educational Entities         | 2           | 2            | 0         |
| Labor/Workforce Representatives    | 3-Labor     | 3-Labor      | 0-Labor   |
| (minimum 10% Labor & 20% Combined) | 2-W.R.      | 2-W.R.       | 0-W.R.    |

| Department of Rehabilitation Mandated |    |    |   |
|---------------------------------------|----|----|---|
| Partner                               | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Economic Development Department       |    |    |   |
| Mandated Partner                      | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Small Business Development Center     |    |    |   |
| Mandated Partner                      | 0  | 1  | 1 |
| Total # of Members                    | 20 | 25 | 5 |

<sup>\*</sup>Vacancy addressed via this recommendation (1 Business Seat).

Efforts to achieve full membership for the WDB are ongoing and this item recommends one applicant for appointment to fill a vacant Business Member seat.

The WIOA requires that business must represent 51% of the local WDB membership. Suzanne Parker is Lead Manager for External Affairs and Public Policy for Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) with over fifteen years' experience in public relations and communications, community outreach, and public policy advocacy. Additionally, Suzanne Parker has served with the Women's Legacy Fund, the Community Foundation of SLO, and Habitat for Humanity. Ms. Parker has extensive knowledge of the Energy Industry Cluster, therefore, Ms. Parker is recommended for appointment to fill a business seat on the WDB.

| Nominated | Seat Vacancy Date | Appointment Type | Term End Date |
|-----------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Suzanne   | February 4, 2016  | Business         | June 30, 2020 |
| Parker    | (Phillip Koziel)  |                  |               |

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

This recommendation is made by the San Luis Obispo County WDB. The Workforce Development Board approved the appointment at its June 8, 2016 Executive Committee meeting. The County Clerk Recorder's Office has confirmed that the terms of office are accurate and that the posting requirements have been met.

### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

This item has no impact on the County's General Fund as WIOA programs are fully financed by federal funding.

## **RESULTS**

Appointment of the new member to the Workforce Development Board will allow the WDB to move closer to fulfilling State mandates for local board composition.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. WDB Application – Suzanne Parker